

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

PLEASE AMEND THE SPECIFICATION AS FOLLOWS:

Please replace the paragraph starting on page 4, line 13 and ending on page 4, line 23 with the following corrected paragraph, the only correction being the insertion of closed quotes at the end of the next to last sentence of the paragraph:

Legacy architecture such as that comprising TCP/IP, Sockets, Rogue Wave and schemas is fundamental to the design of networks such as, for example, a client-server network. In a client –server network, several communication aspects need to be specified: (1) How does the client communicate with the server? TCP/IP over an ethernet cable would be responsive to this question. (2) What language will be used by the client and server? Rogue Wave and Sockets are among the answers responsive to this question. (3) What language is the code written in? C++ or JAVA would be examples of languages responsive to this question. (4) What subject will be talked about? Schema would focus the subject to particular subject matter such as, for example, “storage management” as opposed to, for example, “extracting banking information”. Thus, legacy architecture defines the client-server network.

Please replace the paragraph starting on page 7, line 9 and ending on page 8, line 7 with the following corrected paragraph:

Referring to Fig. 2B, a new architecture stack is shown and is to be compared with the legacy architecture stack of Fig. 2A. In Fig. 2B, the earlier-noted TCP/IP protocol is still at the bottom followed by the aforementioned HTTP protocol, on top of

which is the aforementioned XML computer language; and, on top of XML is a new and advantageous schema called Common Information Model (CIM). (A schema can be viewed as a description of a class structure, i.e., the schema enumerates all the classes, how they are related to each other in terms of reference to each other and in terms of parent-child inheritance relationships, maybe including a description of all properties that these classes may have, and maybe further including all methods that can be executed in those classes.) A ninety-seven (97) page specification entitled "Common Information Model (CIM) Specification" Version 2.2, dated June 14, 1999 prepared by the Distributed Management Task Force, Inc. (DMTF) offers more information about this subject and is incorporated by reference herein in its entirety; ~~electronic copies of this specification can be obtained free of charge from the Internet at <ftp://ftp.dmtf.org> or <http://www.dmtf.org>.~~ Another specification of eighty-seven (87) pages entitled "Specification for CIM Operations of HTTP" Version 1.0, dated August 11th, 1999, prepared by DMTF likewise provides valuable background information and is also incorporated by reference herein in its entirety. CIM is superior to older, legacy-based schemas in the one respect that it creates interoperability and allows management of different storage systems supplied by different vendors. CIM also has capability of modeling servers, software on servers, power supplies on servers, network switches, tape backup, and virtually all other manageable components in a computer system.